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IN THE ABSTRACT:

--~~The present invention relates to a~~ A pair of underpants comprising including a front part, a back part, a crotch part and two leg holes delimited by the parts. The underpants further include a, and releasable connection connecting means for connecting the crotch part to the front part and allowing an opening to be formed in the crotch area. The, said releasable connection connecting means extending extends from one leg hole to the other and comprising includes two parts, one overlapping the other in the closed condition. The wherein the ends of a part of said the releasable connection connecting means are provided with a flexible protection means element.--